

## LOCAL BREVITIES

From Monday's Daily.  
Where is Blonda Thompson? Friends of his are making the inquiry. Post-Master Speyer, of Culver City, was in the city today on business.

John Baxter left today for Starke county for a few days hunt in that wild region.

The K. of P's. of Argos, will give a supper in their lodge room on Wednesday night.

See those beautiful medallions at the People's drug store. Nothing nicer for a Christmas present.

All patent medicines 80 cents on the \$1.00 at the Economical, south of bridge.

A fine line of ladies pocket books at People's drug store. What would make a nicer present?

Vic Wenzler, formerly of this city, but now of Chicago, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Claud Peirce of Hagerstown who has been visiting friends in this city returned to his home today.

Mrs. Judge Corbin was worse last night. She is afflicted with inflammation of the stomach.

Rev. Thornburg preached an able discourse at the Presbyterian church yesterday morning.

Laporte is going to have a lodge of Elks. It will start with twenty five charter members.

The Woodmen of the world, will initiate two candidates Wednesday night at their regular meeting in Castle hall.

Mrs. G. A. Marble of East Sophia street who has been quite sick for the past week with throat trouble is improving.

The merchants have done a good business today, and the prospects now are that the Christmas trade will be exceedingly heavy.

Don't forget the special meeting of the Foresters Thursday night in Castle hall. Business of importance.

Street Commissioner Brink raised the cross walk at the corner of Center and Laporte streets today. Mr. Brink now has the undivided thanks of the people who use this crossing.

Tickets for the Grand Swedish Concert company will be on sale at J. R. Losey's from now until Dec. 23d. Buy your tickets early and avoid the rush.

The fellow who took the horse and buggy from Mr. How evidently made up his mind that he had a big job on his hands when he undertook to dispose of it. There is no doubt but what the thief was a novice at the business.

Auditor Porter was unable to unlock the door leading to the Auditor's office today and as a result business in that office has been transacted through the back door. The lock took a stubborn spell but the difficulty will be overcome.

The "Gem cigar store" has sold 18,000 tickets on the tandem bicycle now on exhibition at the "Gem." This number only represents 10 cent purchases. The tickle purchases will double that number. The sale has only been in progress three months.

Invitations have been issued for a calico ball to be held in the opera house Thursday evening Dec. 23d. Unless there is some hitch in the proceedings, this will be one of the finest dances ever held in Plymouth. The invitations are printed on calico, and are models of beauty.

One of the most important lessons a child must learn, is that his parents know better what is best than he does himself. Too many boys and girls think they are a to govern their own actions and that they know enough to keep out of trouble without any advice from people with old foggy notions.

Link Giek, the good natured drayman, was treated to a big surprise Friday night. About forty of his friends dropped in upon him, and made the occasion one long to be remembered by Link. Music and dancing was the order of the evening. Refreshments were served.

The Independent today presents to its readers a write up of the Indiana Novelty Mfg Co. This is one of the largest of its kind in the world and the description of this mammoth institution will enable our readers to form an intelligent idea of its wonderful composition.

The lecture, of Dr. J. S. Martin, at the U. B. church last night drew a big crowd, who gave the doctor the closest attention. It was a scholarly effort, proving conclusively that the speaker had given the subject much thought and care in its preparation. He was followed by H. G. Thayer, on the same line of thought, which showed Mr. Thayer's familiarity with bible history, and also the history of the great Apostle.

Plymouth Chapter Royal Arch Masons elected the following officers for the ensuing term Friday night. L. J. Southworth, High Priest; Ed. Corbin, King; Capt. of the Host, Adam Wise; Dr. Aspinall, Royal Arch Captain; Al. Bogardus, Scribe; J. C. Jilson, Secretary; L. J. Tanner, Treasurer; Zach Tanner, Grand Master 1st, Vail; B. C. Southworth, Grand Master 2nd, Vail; and

Charles S. Price, Grand Master 3rd, Vail; A. Elliott, Capt. of the Guard.

David How has recovered his horse and buggy. They were found yesterday morning near Losey's farm. The buggy was found fast on a telephone pole. There is no doubt but what the thief made up his mind that it was impossible for him to dispose of the rig, and he turned the horse loose and the animal being a sensible one undertook to reach home and got caught on the telephone pole. He had been driven hard and had lost his shoes. Mr. How is happy that his favorite family horse is once more in the barn.

### Obituary.

May Evelyn Johnson, eldest daughter of John H. and Ella Johnson died at her home on S. Fourth avenue and Fourth street, at ten o'clock, Monday morning, Nov. 23d. She had been ill for four months, the result of a cold contracted during camping in Indiana in July. Though every effort was made by Dr. Clendenen and consulting physicians from out of town to thwart the disease, she grew rapidly weaker, and, after much patient suffering, sank peacefully and happily to rest.

Miss Johnson was 19 years and 5 days old. She was the President and Valedictorian of the Class of 97. That statement is perhaps sufficient to show her position in her school and social life. Gifted with intellectual powers, she was not only strong in her own work and life, but ever willing to assist others. Though reserved, she was deeply affectionate, and to her inner circle of friends revealed a depth of character others felt, but did not intimately know.

Miss Johnson was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, and in that church the funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, after a short service at the home. The services, conducted by the Rev. Chas. H. Currens, were simple, heartfelt, and impressive. A ladies' quartet sang three hymns of Miss Johnson's own selection. The numerous and exquisite floral offerings were arranged and cared for during the various changes of the afternoon by the Class of '98. Messrs. J. Schroeder, E. Wing, F. Arbold, L. Adam, V. Ferris, and G. Ives acted as pallbearers.

After the time for the funeral was arranged, it was remembered that December 1st, 1897, marked the twentieth anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson's wedding.

The sincere sympathy of the village is with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and their little daughter in their great sorrow.

—Maywood Herald Ill.

ss Johnson was a niece of Mrs. John Brittenham. Mrs. Elmer Wertz, and Charles Worthington of this city.

### EXCURSION RATES.

Via Pennsylvania Lines for Christmas and New Years.

Following the annual custom. Ticket agents of the Pennsylvania lines will sell excursion tickets Dec. 21st 25th and 31st 1897 and Jan 1 1898 for the Christmas and New Year holidays. Tickets will not be sold to adults for less than 25 cents nor to children for less than 15 cents. Return limit of excursion tickets will include Jan. 4th 1898. For rates, time of trains and further information apply to nearest ticket agent.

The Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition will be in progress at Nashville, Tenn. from May until October inclusive. Special low rate round trip tickets will be sold via Pennsylvania lines for this event. Full particulars concerning fare, dates of sale times of trains etc., may be obtained upon application to nearest Pennsylvania line ticket agent or by addressing C. L. Kimball Ass't. Gen'l. Passr. Agt. Cleveland, O.

Take a Lake Tour to Island of Cool Breeze

Go to Mackinac Island, Mich., via the coast line. The D. & C. new steel passenger steamers leave Toledo, Mondays and Saturdays, 10:30 a. m., and Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30 p. m. From Detroit, Mondays and Saturdays, 11:00 p. m., Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a. m. Send 2 cents for illustrated pamphlet. Address

A. A. SCHANTZ, G. P. A., Detroit, Mich.

Mileage Tickets—Notice to the Traveling Public.

The new one thousand mile ticket (Rebate form) of the Central Passenger association, interchangeable over more than twenty thousand miles of railroad, will be placed on sale at principal cities of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, on Wednesday morning, September 1st. The sale of present form of mileage ticket will be discontinued on and after 30th.

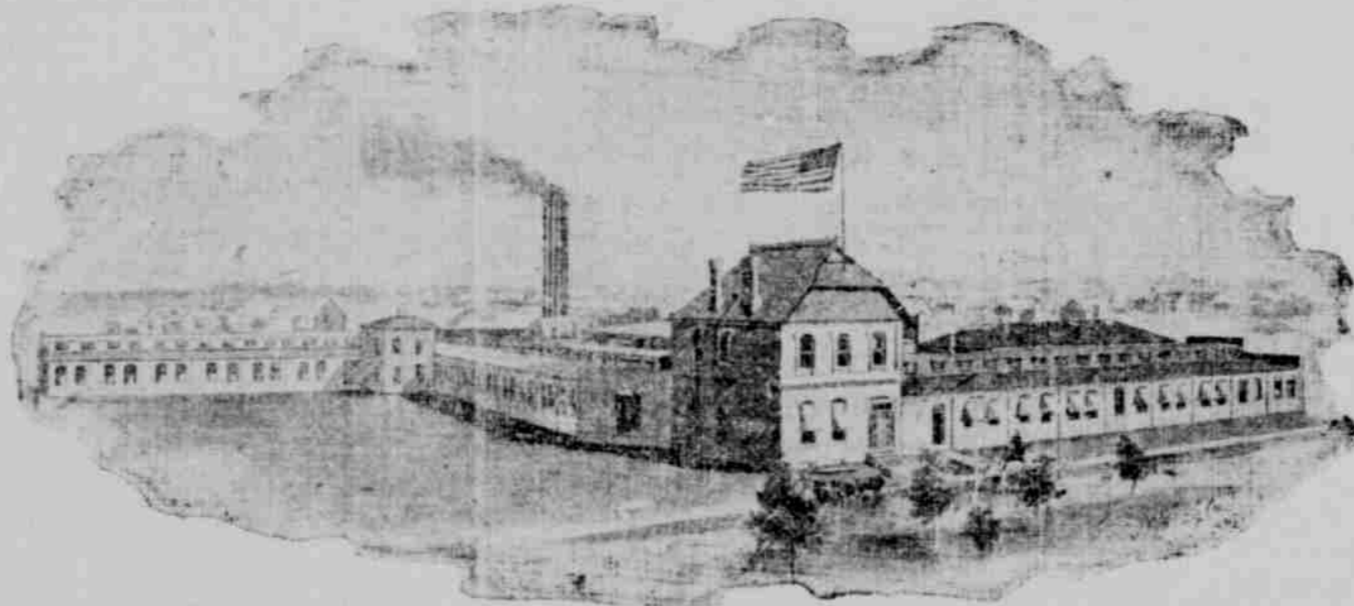
### Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing kidney and bladder disease relieved in six hours by "New Great South American Kidney Cure." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retention of waste immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by G. Blain & Co., Plymouth.

# The = Novelty = Company.

## A BRIEF ACCOUNT OF OUR GREATEST INDUSTRY.

How the Product of this Factory is Manipulated--The Dimensions of the Buildings--Success due to the Genius of a PLYMOUTH MECHANIC.



Strange as it may seem to many who for years have lived in our small but beautiful city it is a fact that not one out of twenty have made it their business, (and it is their privilege) to visit the factory of the Indiana Novelty Mfg. Company.

Here in our very midst is located the largest and first factory in the world devoted entirely to the manufacture of bicycle wood work exclusively and we think it just and proper that for the benefit of those who have no knowledge of its magnitude to enter into a short description.

The Indiana Novelty Manufacturing Company, of Plymouth, Ind., began in 1893, the manufacture of wood rims, by the invention of Geo. W. Marble, of the joint used in its one piece rims which consists of a series of tongues and

cycle manufacturer while others are drilled especially for a certain number of spokes or allowed, as is the case of the majority, to be finished and sent out as a complete article, ready to do duty on many a bicycle and in all parts of the world.

The finishing process is the same with the exception of minor details, to that employed in the finish of the best furniture or carriages. A filler to thoroughly waterproof the wood and fill up the pores is first applied and when this is dry a coat of varnish, another and, sometimes a third coat, is applied.

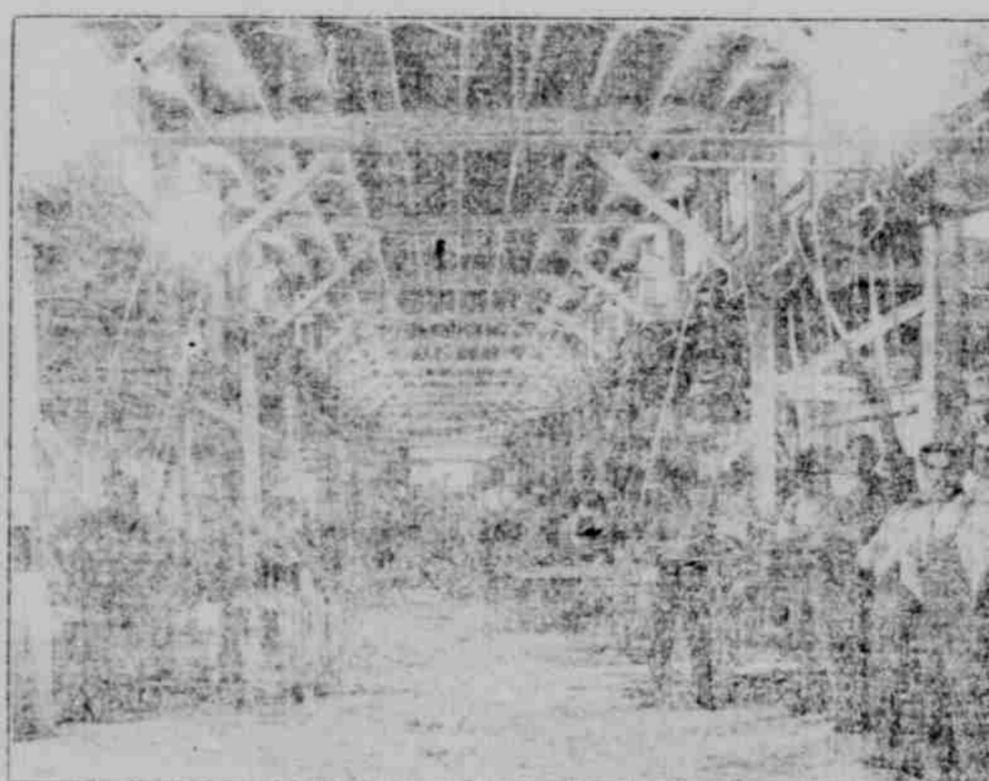
The bending of guards and handle bars is also carried on to a large extent but it is the celebrated "Plymouth" rim that has made this company famous and that of our town familiar everywhere, where cycling is indulged in.

As to the magnitude of this plant let

feet runs along the north side of the central main building. This is a marvel in factory construction and is wholly lighted from above no window being needed in its entire length. There is also in this room a large storage space for finished or partly finished work and a receiving and general supply department or stock room.

All rooms are filled with especially designed machinery from drawings by the company's Vice-president and Supt. G. W. Marble and even the varnishing and packing rooms where little or no machinery is required are filled with special devices and appliances for expediting the various operations.

The entire plant is steam heated electric lighted and power ventilated throughout and a system of dust collectors carries away the shavings and



### Lathe Department.

us begin with the office where we find the usual number of clerks and heads of departments to properly carry on the work. This building is of brick, two stories high and well lighted and so situated as to be easy of access to any and all departments.

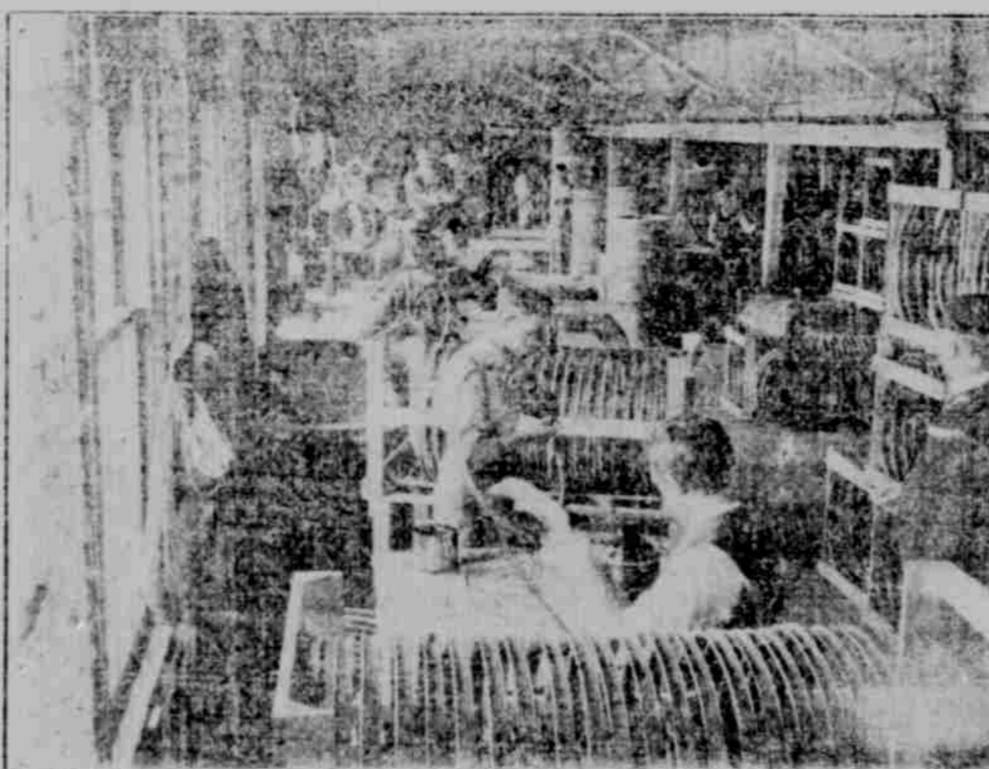
The main turning or lathe room extends due east from the office 230 feet and is 60 feet in width. In this room are the rim lathes, drilling machines, glue jointing saws and gluers.

Siding to the south of this room is that used for the bending of rims, mud guards and handle bars and the dry kilns the space occupied being 160x105 feet. A front south wing 150x60 feet is used entirely for finishing and guard eyeletting, opening off of which is the packing and shipping room two stories 85x32 feet extending near enough to the Ft. Wayne tracks to permit a switch on

dust from all machines and deposits them in the boiler room. Water is obtained from wells sunk by this company and a complete fire system is installed not dependent upon the city for its water supply.

Many new and original features in rims, bars and guards are to be seen in the output for 1898, the more important of them being the new composite rim mentioned in a recent issue and a new reinforced joint.

This company employs no traveling salesmen and the entire output is placed upon the market by Messrs. G. H. Thayer jr. and Geo. W. Marble with the assistance of local and foreign agents, and the marked success which has been met with is a sufficient proof of "Plymouth" quality.



### Finishing Department.

ed to remain a sufficient time to thoroughly dry. When removed from this hot air it is taken to the joint sawing machines and the dovetailing and glueing up performed. The application of a clamp to the glued joint holds it firmly in place while the glue sets and after a few hours it is ready for the forming or turning process.

This is done on especially designed high speed lathes and at once taken to the sanders. Here a change from a rough surface rim to one as smooth as glass is done in a remarkably short time through the agency of a machine which revolves the rim while the sand papering is in progress.

As rims are ordered in various different styles, finish and drillings the process from this point varies considerably. Some are allowed to be shipped in the plain wood to be enameled by the bi-

which cars are run directly up to and loaded from the platform.

A large machine shop has recently been added where metal clamps for wood bars are made and repairing and building of machinery carried on.

The polishing and nickel plating plant adjoins this to the west and connects the machine shop with the bending room.

At the extreme eastern end of the main room are located the boilers and engine, a 200 horse power Corless. A north wing 135x82 at the east end of the lathe room contains all the necessary machinery for preparing the wood for its various processes. A special switch track has been placed along its east side for incoming material.

The latest improvement and addition to the plant the handle bar wood working and finishing room 175x95

Change of Schedule on the Pennsylvania Line.

A change in the schedule of passenger trains on the Pennsylvania Lines went into effect Sunday, Nov. 28th, 1897. Under the new schedule the time of trains at Plymouth is as follows:

Depart for the west at  
No. 15, 5:31 a. m. daily. No. 5, 6:40 a. m. daily, extra fare train. No. 37, 9:26 a. m. daily, except Sunday. No. 39, 2:45 p. m. daily, except Sunday. No. 2, 6:40 p. m. daily. No. 7, 7:13 p. m. daily.

Depart for the east at  
No. 4, 2:45 a. m. daily. No. 6, 4:59 a. m. daily. No. 20, 10:38 a. m. daily, except Sunday. No. 8, 5:47 p. m. daily. No. 2, 7:50 p. m. daily, extra fare train. No. 38, 8:42 p. m. daily, except Sunday

### THE BEST ICE-CREAM.

Made by Scalding Half the Cream and Not Freezing It Too Quickly.

"Good, pure cream, ripe fruit, or the best canned fruit in winter and granulated sugar, make perfect ice cream," writes Mrs. S. T. Rorer in the Ladies' Home Journal. "Good ice cream cannot be made without a good freezer—one working easily with a side crank and a double dasher. Scald half of the cream and dissolve in it the sugar. This will prevent the cream from churning to butter. When raw cream is frozen it has a frothy, snowy taste; the taste of the flavoring is not prominent and it is neither smooth nor velvety in appearance. After the mixture is prepared, before turning it into the freezing can see that the latter is in good order. Adjust the dasher, fasten on the crank and give it a turn to see that it is all right. Remove it for a moment, pour in the mixture and readjust. A four-quart freezer will require twenty pounds of ice and one quart of coarse rock salt. Put a layer of salt in the bottom of the tub, then a layer of ice about three inches in depth, another layer of salt, another of ice and so on to the top of the can. Turn the crank slowly and steadily until it begins to require force. If the can is properly packed the cream will require from fifteen to twenty minutes to freeze. Cream frozen too quickly is not smooth. The length of time required depends entirely upon the packing, not upon the freezer. The more salt is used, the less time will be required for freezing; the more quickly the ice melts the more quickly will the heat be drawn from the cream. Water ices require more time for freezing than ice creams."

### A CHILD'S LONG JOURNEY.

Magnus Nessler Travels from Finland to Alaska.

Seattle Times: Traveling from Finland to Alaska without speaking a word that any one understood, without a single traveling companion, or without meeting a person who knew him, from one end of the journey to the other, is no small undertaking, but it has just been completed by an eight-year-old boy. Magnus Nessler left a pleasant home in far away Finland on June 3 to join his father and mother who are working at Douglas City. He made this long voyage across the great pond in the steerage of one of the big ocean steamers. Here he was not so lonely, as there were other Finlanders on the boat who talked the language he could understand. At New York there was no delay, owing to a carefully written shipping card, which had been sewed securely on the back of his coat before he started on the long journey. This did away with the necessity of talking as far as getting through without delay was concerned. His ticket had been purchased to cover the entire distance, and the card directed him to Circle City Hotel, at Juneau. He reached Seattle in time to make good connections with the Alaska boat, and was forwarded to Douglas by friends. His father and mother have not seen him since he was a baby, over seven years ago, when they left Finland to come to the United States. Magnus is a well built boy, with hair and eyes characteristic of his race. He is exceptionally bright, and has already picked some English. He made friends with everybody on the steamer with whom he came in contact, although he could only talk to them by signs.

### Mr. Bryan and the Sister.

Chicago Tribune: Louisville, Ky.—Is it a romance? This is what is being asked by members of the party who accompanied Williams Jennings Bryan on his tour of Kentucky last week. At Loretto there is a school for girls in charge of the Nazarine Sisters. When the Bryan special reached Loretto the school girls gathered to greet the silver leader. Then the sisters in charge pressed forward. One by one they clasped his hand and passed on. The sixth stopped, raised her cowl, and, looking up, said: "Mr. Bryan, I knew you long ago." Mr. Bryan was startled. He leaned forward, and a name was whispered in his ear. He still clasped the hand of the nun, whose cowl had fallen back, and revealed a face that showed traces of great beauty. There was a whispered conversation, but not until the train moved slowly away did they break their hand clasp. "I knew her long ago," was all the explanation Mr. Bryan gave to his party.

### A Society That Helps Indians.

Boston Evening Transcript: During the past year the Jamaica Plain Indian association has expended \$522 for the benefit of Indians of the west, according to the reports presented at the annual meeting of the association held this week, at the Jamaica Plain Methodist church. This society is composed of many of the well known people of the section, all the Protestant churches being represented. It has donated \$250 toward the completion of the school for the Digger Indians at Greenville, Cal. \$70 for a scholarship at the Hampton institute in Virginia.

### A True Wind Flower.

It is said that a flower has been found in South Africa which is visible only when the wind is blowing. The shrub belongs to the cactus family and is about three feet high, with a crook at the top. When the wind blows a number of beautiful flowers protrude from little lumps on the stalk.

### No Oysters There.

John Stuart of Baltimore, bet that he could eat twelve dozen oysters. He won. John no longer lives in Baltimore, but is twanging a harp in the bright beyond.